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Subject: Checking in

Hey, Walt, I hope things are going as smoothly as possible. I do not want to burden you, but wanted to check in to see how things are going, coordinate and find out if there are any needs we can assist with.

- Your lab was working through the analytic methods for MCHM developed by DuPont. Are you now able to run samples independently?
- Do you have any sampling results you can share?
- From news reports, it sounds like WVAWC has developed their sampling plan and flushing plan. Are you able to share those protocols and schedules with us? I am requesting these so we would be better informed and able to reflect on what WVAWC is doing, and by no means would we review these for any “approval” purpose. (However, we could review to provide technical input if you felt that appropriate or desired.)
- We have also been asked (internally) to clarify what the process is for lifting the water restrictions, and what our role is. Of course, we have stated that it is the role of WVAWC, with your (WV DHHR) approval, to determine when to remove restrictions, i.e., it is not our role to approve those actions. Is there a strategy that describes your decision-making process for lifting restrictions, for both MCHM levels and geographic areas/zones of the distribution system? Can you provide a copy to us? Again, I am not requesting these for approval, but simply for our information.
- Is there any overall schedule for sampling, flushing, decision-making, etc.? Can you share this/these schedules?
- We realize that sampling/analysis may be overwhelming WVAWC’s capability. We have also heard (from Kevin Morley of AWWA) that WVAWC may be seeking lab assistance from other utilities through the WARN system. We just wanted to remind you/WVAWC that there might be additional assistance available through the Water Lab Alliance. We’ve given our lab in Annapolis a heads-up, in case you/WVAWC want to investigate this option.
- Steve Allgeier from our Cincinnati lab has been looking into treatment efficacy with industry and research colleagues (I believe he’s working with WVAWC folks directly). Do you have any questions/needs on treatment issues that aren’t being addressed that EPA can help with?

- Are there any other needs that we might be able to assist with?
- There is an EPA technical call tomorrow morning at 8 am that Patti Kay will be covering for information sharing on any assistance being provided or potentially needed. Send us a note or call to let us know of questions or needs, even if they are not immediately associated with the water plant, that we could raise on that call.
- I also have a call with our Regional management at 11 tomorrow morning, so any updates prior to that will be most helpful.

If it's more efficient for you to call than write, don't hesitate. My home phone is my cell is

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Best--Vicky

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